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SUBJ: CODELCO EQUIPMENT PURCHASE

1. LISTED BELOW IS OUTLINE OF NOVEMBER-DECEMBER EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT NEEDS OF THE FIVE LARGE COPPER MINES (GRAN MINERIA) UNDER CONTROL OF CHILEAN COPPER CORPORATION (CODELCO). CODELCO EXEC VP ZAUSCHQUEVICH TOLD COMMATT MOST EQUIPMENT TO BE ORDERED FROM U.S. AS SOON AS JUNTA HAS APPROVED ZAUSCHQUEVICH'S OVERALL MINE RECONSTRUCTION PLANS. HE EXPECTS APPROVAL WITHIN DAYS. AS INDICATED IN MEMCON DATED NOVEMBER 8 (POUCHED TO ADDRESSEES NOV 9), ZAUSCHQUEVICH EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE OF RAPIDLY INCREASED COPPER PRODUCTION IN JUNTA'S CURRENT DELIBERATIONS REGARDING OVERALL COPPER PROBLEMS AND NEED FOR U.S. CREDITS TO COVER CODELCO'S ANTICIPATED 1974 EQUIPMENT PURCHASES.

2. MINIMUM ESSENTIAL NEEDS FOR ORDER IN 1973 AS FOLLOWS:

CONSUMPTION GOODS FOR NOVEMBER US\$ CIF (000'S)

PARTS AND ACCESSORIES FOR TRANSPORTATION AND 1,000

EARTH MOVING EQUIPMENT

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ELECTRICAL MATERIAL 1,400

PARTS & STEEL FOR COPPER PROCESSING	1,000
AIR COMPRESSOR EQUIPMENT AND TOOLS	1,200
CHEMICAL REAGENTS	1,000
MISCELLANEOUS	1,400

CAPITAL GOODS FOR NOVEMBER	
MOLYBDENITE PLANT	800
MISCELLANEOUS	1,873
SOLDERING MACHINERY	56
CRANES	80
TRUCK DIESEL ENGINES	47.3
LOCOMOTIVES & FRONT END LOADERS	965

CONSUMPTION GOODS FOR DECEMBER	
MACHINERY & MECHANICAL APPARATUS & APPLIANCES	2,250
CHEMICAL PRODUCTS	2,025
IRON & STEEL	1,050
ELECTRICAL MACHINERY	900
RAILROAD EQUIPMENT	450
VEHICLES	300
MISCELLANEOUS	525
TOTAL	18,321.3

3. COMMENT: THIS EMERGENCY ORDER WILL PROBABLY HAVE TO BE FINANCED BY COMMERCIAL BANK CREDITS.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: AS COURTESY EMBASSY REQUESTS COMMERCE TO INFORM CODELCO MONTREAL OFFICE THAT COMMERCE WILLING TO ASSIST IF PROBLEMS SHOULD ARISE WITH U.S. SUPPLIERS IN FILLING THIS ORDER.
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